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SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, in this connexion, may I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that on the 4th April 1954 the Superintendent of the Mental Hospital called one Kabali, a worker in the hospital, to his bungalow and beat him so severely that he fell down unconscious? May I also know from the Hon. Minister whether the Government have received any report in this matter or whether they have made any enquiries in this regard? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" I do not see any connexion between this supplementary question and the collection of 4 annas from the hospital staff."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Sir, the worker was beaten for failure to collect the sum of 4 annas."

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, I have no information. This is the first time I hear about this matter."

Supply of electricity to Jayankondan.

* 1224 *Q.*—SRI S. RADHAKRISHNAN (on behalf of Sri K. R. Viswanathan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from the Panchayat Board, Jayankondan, Tiruchirappalli district, to advance a loan to the Kumbakonam Electric Supply Corporation for extending the supply of electricity to Jayankondan and the surrounding parts; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) ' Yes '.

" (*b*) The Government Electricity Department has suggested to the South Madras Electric Supply Corporation, Limited, that if they are willing to surrender certain areas allotted to them, including Udayarpalayam taluk, the question of the Government taking over the areas will be considered. If this materializes, extension of supply to the area by the Government Electricity Department will be examined. Till a decision is taken on the above, the question of granting loan to the Kumbakonam Electric Licensee for taking up the extension to Udayarpalayam taluk will not arise especially as it is not possible at present, for technical reasons, to increase supply of power to this licensee."

Hindu Hostel, Cuddalore.

* 1225 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government subsidize the Hindu Hostel at Tirupapuliyur at Cuddalore, South Arcot district;